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## FRESNO MAN SENTENCED FOR DRUG TRAFFICKING IN ORANGE, TEXAS

(Beaumont, TX) United States Attorney Matthew D. Orwig announced today that a 39-year-old Fresno, Texas man has been sentenced to 121 months in federal prison for dealing drugs in the Eastern District of Texas.

HENRY JEROME BAKER was sentenced today by United States District Judge Marcia A. Crone for possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine.

According to information presented in court, on June 21, 2004, Baker sold approximately 58 grams of cocaine base (crack) to an individual in Orange for \$1000. Baker had manufactured the cocaine into the "crack" form immediately prior to the sale. Baker was indicted by a federal grand jury on June 1, 2005 and pleaded guilty to the charges on February 24, 2006.

This case was investigated by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, the City of Orange Police Department and prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Sarah Wannarka and Assistant U.S. Attorney Randall Fluke.

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